More TLP cadres sever ties with banned party

Dawn Report

LAHORE: More ticket holders and office-bearers of the Tehreek-i-Labbaik Pakistan (TLP) from central Punjab and Lahore announced that they were severing ties with the now-banned organisation, stating that they were "standing with the state".

Last week, TLP ticket holders from south Punjab had announced that they had left the party, accusing it of pursuing an anti-state agenda that "aligns with the country's enemies".

In a press conference at the Lahore Press Club on Tuesday, multiple TLP ticket holders and office-bearers announced their decision to step away from the religio-political group, with lawyer Usman Khizr Mangat saying that one can engage in politics within the state, but not against it.

"Violence and mobs cannot create an impact by attacking the state," he said. "Pakistan saw how these people carried out attacks. The government tried to start a dialogue, but the demands laid out were not accepted.

"The state is like a mother, it tried to negotiate for six, seven days constantly with these people (the TLP) and outlined Pakistan's situation and its standing in the international community."

Mangat noted that the unrest took place at a time when the country is "on red alert because of India in the east and Afghanistan in the northwest".

"You saw that buses were stolen, people were armed and school buses carrying girls were hijacked. What kind of politics is this?" he wondered.

"Other parties protest under the Constitution and the law; they have the right to freedom of movement and freedom of speech, but you cannot exercise those rights at the cost of causing unrest within the state."

Mangat further said that the TLP "always thought itself above the Constitution, the law and the state", adding that this attitude could not be tolerated in any case.

"I, Barrister Usman Khizer Mangat, along with these ticket holders and officer-bearers of the Tehreek-i-Labbaik Pakistan, announce the end of our time with the TLP," he stated.

"I am here to show my solidarity with the state," Mr Mangat added. "I stand with my state under any circumstance; it is my state and my state has been established. If my politics compromises my state's stability and security, it is better I do not engage in politics.

"I am making it very clear that I am not under any pressure. With my free will, I am announcing that I am standing alongside the state," Mr Mangat said.

MOTORISTS drive through a snow-covered road in Chilas, Gilgit-Baltistan.—Dawn

59 people infected with dengue in Turbat

12-day measles, rubella vaccination campaign begins on 17th

By Behram Baloch & Saleem Shahid

GWADAR / QUETTA: The Teaching Hospital Turbat conducted 1,007 dengue tests during October, of which 59 patients tested positive for the virus.

According to the hospital administration, all affected patients received timely medical care.

Medical Superintendent Dr Waheed Buledi said in a briefing that most of the infected individuals had recently travelled to Karachi and other cities where dengue cases had already been reported.

He added that the hospital's medical team worked diligently to ensure proper treatment and that the majority of patients have since recovered.

Dr Buledi urged the public to take preventive measures against dengue by maintaining cleanliness in and around their homes, avoiding stagnant water, and using mosquito nets or repellents.

He emphasised that prevention remains the most effective safeguard against dengue and other infectious diseases, adding that public cooperation is vital to eliminate such health threats.

Vaccination drive

Provincial Coordinator of the Expanded Programme on Immunisation (EPI) Balochistan Dr Aftab Kakar announced on Tuesday that a 12-day nationwide measles and rubella vaccination campaign will be launched from Nov 17 to 29 across all 36 districts of Balochistan, in coordination with the rest of the country.

He urged parents to ensure that children aged between six months and five years receive the vaccine to strengthen their immunity and protect them from these potentially fatal diseases.

Dr Kakar said that around 1,700 measles cases have been reported in Balochistan so far this year, with 23 confirmed deaths. However, due to the absence of an effective data collection system, the actual number of cases and fatalities is believed to be much higher.

Speaking at a seminar on the role of media in public awareness, held at the Quetta Press Club, Dr Kakar warned that measles is spreading rapidly across the country, including Balochistan, and is more contagious than Covid-19, as a single infected person can transmit it to 8-10 others.

No 'external hand'

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would undermine judicial independence through the creation of constitutional courts, tamper with presidential powers and appointments relating to the armed forces under Article 243, alter the provincial share in the NFC Award by removing the constitutional minimum, and give devolved functions such as education, health and population planning back under federal control.

"All these proposals, as suggested in PPP Chairman Bilawal Bhutto-Zardari's own tweet, strike at the very foundations of our constitutional order, reversing the principles of provincial autonomy, parliamentary supremacy and judicial independence."

He expressed surprise that, instead of rejecting such proposals, Mr Bhutto-Zardari had outlined them, arguing they contradicted the spirit and legacy of the PPP, whose founders had given Pakistan the 1973 Constitution.

"The question before us is not merely legal, it is moral," he said. "Will the Peoples Party honour the word it gave to the people in 1973, or once again erase it in the name of expedience?"

He reminded the Senate that JUI-F had previously opposed the creation of any constitutional court and said he hoped both JUI-F and Jamaat-i-Islami would stand with the PTI in opposing the 27th Amendment.

The row over the opposition leader's appointment surfaced at the outset of proceedings when PTI-backed Senator Azam Swati raised the matter.

The protest over the issue later escalated as PTI senators gathered before the chair's podium and tore up copies of the agenda. The house echoed with chants of "Go PM go."

Presiding officer Manzoor Kakar of BAP said the issue did not fall within his jurisdiction. He asked members to return to their seats and assured them of time to speak.

Asaan Karobar Bill

Separately, the House passed the Asaan Karobar Bill, 2025, which aims to streamline the regulatory framework for business, trade and investment by removing cumbersome procedures and outdated requirements.

Already cleared by the National Assembly, the legislation provides for the establishment of a Pakistan Regulatory Registry and a Pakistan Business Portal to serve as a national one-window for government registrations, licences, certifications, and permits.

The bill was moved by MNA Qaiser Ahmed Sheikh, chairman of the Board of Investment.

According to the statement of objects and reasons of the bill, "The modernised regulatory requirements will be integrated through a Pakistan Business Portal, which will serve as a National One-Window facility for the identification and issuance of all government registrations, licences, certifications, and permits."

The implementation of this initiative "will have several benefits for the economy, including increased investment, job creation and economic growth," the statement said. "It will also help improve Pakistan's competitiveness in the global market and attract foreign investors seeking a stable and predictable regulatory environment."

The Senate also extended the Virtual Assets Ordinance, 2025, for another 120 days. The ordinance, in force since July 8, 2025, establishes a legal framework for regulating cryptocurrencies and other digital assets, including the creation of the Pakistan Virtual Asset Regulatory Authority (PVARA).

The authority's mandate includes licensing crypto-related entities, issuing and implementing regulations, investigating suspicious transactions, ensuring consumer protection and imposing penalties, suspensions or legal action against non-compliant companies.

Police station, check post attacked in Kachhi and Quetta

By Saleem Shahid

QUETTA: Unknown armed men attacked and set fire to a police station in Kachhi district, while a check post was targeted with hand grenades in the Western Bypass area of the provincial capital, Quetta, on Tuesday evening.

Officials said nearly two dozen armed men, carrying heavy weapons, attacked the Khattan Police Station in Kachhi district. The station had been recently established in a building of the Livestock Department and handed to the police after the merger of levies personnel into police.

The assailants entered the two-room police station, burning official records and furniture. They also took away two rifles, including an SMG and a G-3, along with a mobile phone and a private motorcycle before fleeing.

"Owing to the large number of assailants, the former levies personnel, who were in a nearby private house, could not effectively respond," a senior official said, adding that no loss of life or injury was reported.

Local police and security forces reached the site soon after receiving information about the incident and launched a joint search operation to trace the attackers. The Counter Terrorism Department (CTD) Sibi Range is further investigating the case.

Check post attacked

Meanwhile, unidentified men attacked a security forces check post in Western Bypass area of Quetta with hand grenades. "The motorcyclists fired two grenades at the post, which exploded close by but caused no casualties," police officials said.

Security personnel deployed at the post retaliated with fire; however, the attackers managed to escape after hurling the grenades. Security forces later launched a search operation in the area.

PIA 'restores' operations amid protest

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delayed and left after a delay of several hours.

PK747 (Lahore to Madina) faced a 14-hour delay; PK761 (Karachi-Jeddah) faced a delay of 12 hours; PK300 (Karachi-Islamabad) was delayed for four hours; PK741 (Islamabad-Madina) was delayed for six hours; PK233 (Islamabad-Dubai) was delayed for nine hours; PK245 (Islamabad-Dammam) was delayed for seven hours; while flight PK755 (Sialkot-Riyadh) was also delayed for seven hours.

Meanwhile, five flights were cancelled by readjusting the load, and alternates were offered to the valued passengers, he added. The PIA flight operations will return to normal very soon, the spokesman said, adding that two flights, from Karachi to Toronto and Islamabad to Manchester, departed on time.

The spokesman, however, castigated the engineers for their protest. "A derecognised entity, Society of Aircraft Engineers of Pakistan (SAEP), in order to pressurise the management, tried to halt the operations during late hours of yesterday (Monday) night with their nefarious design to sabotage the privatisation process."

'570 protesting engineers'

An office-bearer of the SAEP told Dawn that more than 570 aircraft engineers associated with the PIA had been protesting and vowed to continue their strike till their demands were fulfilled. He said that they cannot compromise on the safety and airworthiness of aircraft. "They victimise those who refuse to obey them," he said, referring to the management.

Another official said, "The SAEP and its members are strictly working within the rules and procedures defined in the PIA Engineering Manual and Pakistan Civil Aviation Regulations."

"The ongoing situation has been misinterpreted by certain quarters of the management as a 'strike', whereas in reality, engineers are adhering to mandatory safety and certification protocols," he claimed. He said that the protocols are legally required for ensuring airworthiness and passenger safety, "responsibilities that no licenced aircraft engineer can compromise under any circumstances".

"Unfortunately, instead of addressing long-pending professional and financial concerns, the PIA management has chosen to label lawful compliance as disruption, which is misleading," he said, adding: "SAEP's stance remains consistent: safety comes first, and engineers will continue performing their duties strictly according to regulatory and procedural requirements."

Govt to release key report

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meetings at the Supreme Court, the Law and Justice Division, the Auditor General for Pakistan, parliamentarians, the National Accountability Bureau, the Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) and the State Bank of Pakistan.

It produced a comprehensive report identifying gaps and weaknesses in public finance management, FBR's tax system, and the Accountant General Pakistan Revenues' efforts to identify loopholes.

Under the existing governance mechanism, the majority of government officers have not been disclosing assets of their own and those of other family members to the tax authorities or the Establishment Division, and there was an insufficient institutional mechanism for accountability.

On top of that, many institutions, including regulatory bodies, have exemptions from such requirements of scrutiny and disclosures. No wonder there have been widespread reports of corruption and corrupt practices across the bureaucratic and political landscape, and Pakistan has been ranking high on the various international corruption perception indexes.

The IMF has been pressing for data-based red flags, due diligence, safeguard mechanisms and guidelines against corruption and misuse of public offices, resulting in sub-optimal decision-making and compromising the country's business and growth potential. The Paris-based FATF had also identified a series of weaknesses and made recommendations for course correction.

Pakistan and the IMF reached a staff-level agreement on the second review of $7bn bailout package and the first review of $1.4bn Resilience and Sustainability Fund (RSF) on Oct 14.

Under the agreement, Pakistan will get $1bn disbursement under the EFF and $200m under RSF upon approval of the IMF executive board. The board meeting has not been announced yet, but authorities suggest this would be convened any time after Nov 15.

'Opponents' continue to serve under AJK PM

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to topple the government.

Nevertheless, the PPP leadership remained insistent on securing PML-N's backing to ensure a comfortable and unchallenged majority. Following the understanding between the two parties, a draft of the no-confidence motion against Mr Haq was prepared and signed by over 14 legislators, including two from the PML-N.

Yet, nearly three weeks later, the PPP has failed to finalise the name of its candidate for the premiership, leaving the move hanging in the balance.

'Forward bloc' irony

Ironically, despite publicly announcing their intent to unseat the prime minister, none of the PPP or PML-N ministers have resigned from their positions or relinquished official privileges.

One cabinet member from the PML-N, who was seen accompanying his party's senior anti-Haq leadership at one meeting, also chaired a meeting himself and released pictures from it to the media.

Of the 10 'forward bloc' members, three — representing Pakistan-based refugee constituencies — had announced their resignations from the cabinet, but the same had not been accepted by the prime minister. Despite their declared dissociation, the trio also continued to enjoy official perks and privileges.

Adding to the irony, most of the 'disgruntled' ministers have been camped in the federal capital for weeks, engaging in slow-paced negotiations and power-sharing discussions over the formation of the next government.

Political sources claim that the tabling of the motion may take another four to five days, effectively giving more time to an embattled prime minister who has virtually lost the confidence of the assembly's majority.

Hurried approval of schemes

Taking advantage of the situation, the incumbent premier — who had preferred to spend much of his time in Islamabad during the previous two and a half years of his rule — has unusually stationed himself in Muzaffarabad for the past 12 days, where he has been issuing directives and granting administrative approvals on files that had remained pending in his office for several months.

On October 27, he sanctioned six schemes in the energy sector worth over Rs2.68 billion – four of them worth Rs1.4bn for his home district alone. The same day, he approved releases of funds to different departments for the first half of the current fiscal year, amounting Rs3.72bn. However, the approval was withdrawn by the additional chief secretary for development the following day.

In a pointed reference to the situation, the PM's electoral rival and PML-N Secretary General Chaudhry Tariq Farooq took to social media, expressing his surprise that the ministers who had inked out their signatures on the no-confidence resolution were still holding their portfolios and using official resources.

"Since September, AJK has been in a state of political crisis. Although the motion has not yet been formally tabled, it is astonishing that those ministers who have openly declared their intention to support it continue to remain part of the cabinet. The use of official resources and privileges goes on unabated. Good governance remains "untarnished," and the cloak of austerity has not even been pierced. What a fixed match — and everyone knows it," he wrote on X.

The usage of the term 'good governance' is actually a reference to the AJK PM, with the phrase being used ironically.

"People across AJK are both surprised and saddened by the political farce," Mr Farooq added.

However, when PPP legislator Mian Abdul Waheed, who still holds the office of law minister in the Haq-led government, was asked by a reporter if it was unethical for cabinet members seeking to dislodge the prime minister to use official transport, he defended it.

"The day the no-confidence motion is tabled and fails, it would become morally, legally and constitutionally impermissible — absolutely haram — for us to retain these official vehicles. Until the motion is actually presented, however, there is nothing written anywhere that bars us from using them."

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